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**MAIN LIBRARY
CATAWBA COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM
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Library shimmers with holiday celebrations

NEWTON—Patrons are invited to participate in special holiday crafts at Catawba County Library System next month. All events are free and open to the public.

MAIN LIBRARY

School-aged kids are invited to a 2 p.m. story time featuring author Jan Brett on Saturday, Dec. 1. Children will build small gingerbread houses in keeping with Brett's illustrated Christmas books.

Teens are invited to make ice candles at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11 at the Main Library.

Also at Main is the annual Giving Tree sponsored by Friends of Catawba County Library. Patrons are invited to select a book "ornament" and purchase that title in honor or in memory of a loved one. The tree will remain in the lobby through Dec. 31.

CLAREMONT

The branch will host a holiday open house from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, just prior to the town Christmas parade.

CONOVER

Children age 6-12 are invited to a craft time from 3 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 18.

MAIDEN

The Maiden Branch invites children to decorate a holiday ornament when they visit at any time from Dec. 1-21. The ornaments will be placed on the library tree. Materials will be provided.

ST. STEPHENS

The entire family is invited to an open house with carols and light refreshments from 7 – 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4. A special kids' celebration will be held from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14 with songs, stories, snacks and crafts.

SHERRILLS FORD

Sherrills Ford Friends of the Library will host a tree lighting and Santa visit at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 1.

The branch plans a drop-in craft table for school-age children each Wednesday afternoon from 3-6 p.m. on Dec. 5, 12 and 19.

SOUTHWEST

At the Southwest Branch in Mountain View, patrons are invited to an open house on Dec. 15 and 16. Hours are 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. that Saturday and 2 to 6 p.m. on Sunday. The Foard High School chorus will perform holiday selections at 3 p.m. Dec. 16.

For more information on holiday activities at the Catawba County Library, you may call 828-465-8664.

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